

### Abstract of the Disclosure

5 A portable dental system and method is disclosed for cleaning endodontic files and the like during a operation such as a root canal procedure. This allows a dentist to clean files in situ while performing the removal of root material. As the file is withdrawn from the patients mouth by the dentist, it can be inserted into a sealed container through the lid and can be cleaned ultrasonically and immediately withdrawn and reinserted into a patients  
10 tooth canal for further removal of tooth and root material. Debridement of the files ensures less likelihood the file will break within the canal; furthermore, since no passing off to or cleaning the tip by an assistant is required, there is less likelihood of inadvertent skin puncturing and infection of the dentist or assistant. The sealed disposable container housing a cleaning fluid is insertably removable from the base, which supports it and  
15 provides a source of ultrasonic energy thereto.

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